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**Basic programme of work of the Council**

## Proposed basic programme of work of the Council for 2007 and 2008

### Note by the Secretary-General

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# I. Proposed provisional agenda for the substantive session of 2007 of the Council and list of documents for each agenda item

## 1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

**Documentation**

Note by the Secretary-General on the proposed theme for the high-level segment of the 2008 substantive session of the Council (General Assembly resolution 50/227, annex I)

## 2. High-level segment

### A. High-level policy dialogue with international financial and trade institutions

**Documentation**

*World Economic and Social Survey 2007* (chap. I) (Assembly resolutions 118 (II) and 52/180 and Council resolution 1983/50)

### B. Thematic discussion

**Documentation**

Report of the Secretary-General on the theme (Assembly resolution 61/16, para. 2 (c)) [theme to be selected at the organizational session for 2007]

### C. Annual ministerial review

**Documentation**

Report of the Secretary-General on the theme (Assembly resolution 61/16, para. 10) [theme to be selected at the organizational session for 2007]

*World Economic and Social Survey 2007* (chap. I) (Assembly resolutions 118 (II) and 52/180 and Council resolution 1983/50)

Relevant part of the report of the Committee for Development Policy on its ninth session (Council resolutions 1079 (XXXIX) and 1998/46)
[At the 48th meeting of its resumed substantive session for 2006, the Council deferred consideration of the report of the Committee for Development Policy on its eighth session to its organizational session for 2007.]

Relevant part of the report of the Secretary-General on regional cooperation (Council decision 2004/323)

### D. Development Cooperation Forum

**Documentation**

Report of the Secretary-General on review and assessment of international economic and development policies and their impact on development — an analytical background report (Assembly resolution 61/16, para. 7)

## Operational activities of the United Nations for the international development cooperation segment

### 3. Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation

#### (a) Follow-up to policy recommendations of the General Assembly

**Documentation**

Report of the Secretary-General on comprehensive statistical data on operational activities for development of the United Nations system (Assembly resolution 35/81)[1]

Report of the Secretary-General on the triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system (Assembly resolution 59/250, para. 103, and Council resolution 2006/14)[1]

Consolidated list of issues related to the coordination of operational activities (Council resolution 1998/27, para. 4)

#### (b) Reports of the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund, the United Nations Children's Fund and the World Food Programme

**Documentation**

Reports of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund on its second regular session of 2006 and on its first regular session and annual session of 2007 (Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme and the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund (Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51) (E/2007/5)

Reports of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund on its second regular session of 2006 and on its first regular session and annual session of 2007 (Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund (Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Report of the Executive Board of the World Food Programme on its 2006 sessions (Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Executive Director of the World Food Programme (Assembly resolutions 50/8 and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

#### (c) Economic and technical cooperation among developing countries

**Documentation**

Report of the High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation on its fifteenth session (Assembly resolution 33/134)[1]

## Coordination segment

**4. The role of the United Nations system in promoting full and productive employment and decent work for all**

**Documentation**

Report of the Secretary-General (Council decision 2006/274)

## Humanitarian affairs segment

**5. Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance**

**Documentation**

Report of the Secretary-General on the progress made in strengthening the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations (Assembly resolution 61/134 and Council resolution 2006/5)[1]

Report of the Secretary-General on the detailed use of the Central Emergency Response Fund (Assembly resolution 61/134)[1]

Report of the Secretary-General on strengthening emergency relief, rehabilitation, reconstruction and prevention in the aftermath of the Indian Ocean tsunami disaster (Assembly resolution 61/132)[1]

## General segment

**6. Implementation of and follow-up to major international United Nations conferences and summits**

**Documentation**

Updated report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits, in the light of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B and 57/270 B (Council resolution 2006/44) (see also items 8, 13 and 14)

**(a) Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development**

**Documentation**

Summary by the President of the Council of the special high-level meeting of the Council with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (Assembly resolution 58/230 and Council resolution 2006/45)[1]

**(b) Review and coordination of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010**

**Documentation**

Annual progress report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010 (Assembly resolution 61/1 and Council resolution 2006/41)[1]

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Committee on World Food Security (Council resolution 1999/212)

**7. Coordination, programme and other questions**

**(a) Reports of coordination bodies**

**Documentation**

Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on its forty-seventh session (Council resolution 2008 (LX))

Annual overview report of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination for 2006 (Council decision 2001/321)

**(b) Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009**

**Documentation**

Relevant sections of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009 (Council resolution 1988/77 and Assembly resolution 58/269)

**(c) International cooperation in the field of informatics**

**Documentation**

Report of the Secretary-General on action taken to follow up on the need to harmonize and improve United Nations informatics systems for optimal utilization and accessibility by all States, including the findings of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics and an assessment of its work and mandate (Council resolution 2006/35)

**(d) Long-term programme of support for Haiti**

**Documentation**

Report of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti (Council resolution 2006/10)

**(e) Mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system**

**Documentation**

Report of the Secretary-General on follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and full implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and the outcome of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly (Assembly resolution 61/145 and Council resolutions 2006/9 and 2006/36) (see also item 14 (a))

**(f) Information and Communication Technologies Task Force**

**Documentation**

Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Global Alliance for Information and Communication Technologies and Development (Council decision 2006/251)

**(g) Ad hoc advisory groups on African countries emerging from conflict**

**Documentation**

Report of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau (Council resolution 2006/11)

**(h) Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)**

**Documentation**

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Executive Director of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) (Council resolution 2005/47)

**(i) Calendar of conferences and meetings in the economic, social and related fields**

**Documentation**

Draft calendar of conferences and meetings in the economic, social and related fields for 2008 and 2009 (Council decision 52 (LVII))

**8. Implementation of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B and 57/270 B**

**Documentation**

Updated report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits, in the light of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B and 57/270 B (Council resolution 2006/44) (see also items 6, 13 and 14)

**9. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations**

**Documentation**

Report of the Secretary-General on assistance to the Palestinian people (Assembly resolution 61/135 and Council resolution 2100 (LXIII))[1]

Report of the President of the Council on consultations held with the Chairman of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (Council resolution 2006/37)

Report of the Secretary-General on support to Non-Self-Governing Territories by the specialized agencies and international institutions associated with the United Nations (Council resolution 2006/37)

**10. Regional cooperation**

**Documentation**

Report of the Secretary-General (Council decision 1979/1)

Economic trends as well as risks and opportunities for the economies in the Economic Commission for Europe region

Overview of the economic report on Africa, 2007

Summary of the *Economic and Social Survey of Asia and the Pacific 2007*

Latin America and the Caribbean: economic situation and outlook, 2006-2007

Summary of the survey of economic and social developments in the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia region, 2006-2007

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Executive Secretaries of the Economic Commission for Africa and the Economic Commission for Europe on the project for a Europe-Africa fixed link through the Strait of Gibraltar (Council resolution 2005/34)

**11. Economic and social repercussions of the Israeli occupation on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan**

**Documentation**

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of Council resolution 2006/43[1]

**12. Non-governmental organizations**

**Documentation**

Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations (Council resolutions 3 (II) and 1996/31 and Council decisions 1995/304 and 2006/226)

**13. Economic and environmental questions**

**Documentation**

Updated report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits, in the light of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B and 57/270 B (Council resolution 2006/44) (see also items 6, 8 and 14)

**(a) Sustainable development**

**Documentation**

Report of the Commission on Sustainable Development on its fifteenth session (Council decisions 1993/207 and 2006/228)

Report of the Committee for Development Policy on its ninth session (Council resolutions 1079 (XXXIX and 1998/46) [the report of the Committee for

Development Policy on its eighth session was deferred for consideration by the Council at its organizational session for 2007 (decision 2006/265)]

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Public-Private Alliance for Rural Development (Council resolution 2005/42)

**(b) Science and technology for development**

**Documentation**

Report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its tenth session (Assembly resolutions 46/235, annex, and 56/182) [the report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its ninth session was deferred for further consideration by the Council at its organizational session for 2007 (decision 2006/268)]

**(c) Statistics**

**Documentation**

Report of the Statistical Commission on its thirty-eighth session (Council resolutions 8 (I), 8 (II) and 1566 (L) and Council decision 2006/232)

**(d) Human settlements**

**Documentation**

Report of the Secretary-General on the coordinated implementation of the Habitat Agenda (Council decision 2006/247)

Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) (Assembly resolution 56/206)[1]

**(e) Environment**

**Documentation**

Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its twenty-fourth regular session (Assembly resolutions 2997 (XXVII), 53/242 and 61/205)[1]

Report of the Secretary-General on protection against products harmful to health and the environment (Assembly resolution 39/229 and Council resolution 2004/55)[1]

**(f) Population and development**

**Documentation**

Report of the Commission on Population and Development on its fortieth session (Assembly resolution 49/128 and Council decision 2006/233)

**(g) Public administration and development**

**Documentation**

Report of the Committee of Experts on Public Administration on its sixth session (Council resolution 2006/47)

**(h) International cooperation in tax matters**

**Documentation**

Report of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters on its second session (Council resolution 2006/48)

**(i) United Nations Forum on Forests**

**Documentation**

Report of the United Nations Forum on Forests on its seventh session (Council resolution 2000/35 and Council decision 2006/255)

**(j) Assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions**

**Documentation**

*No request for advance documentation*

**(k) Cartography**

**Documentation**

Report of the Secretary-General on the seventeenth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Pacific, Bangkok, 18 to 22 September 2006 (Council resolutions 715 A (XXVII) and 1314 (XLIV) and Council decision 2004/304)

**(l) Women and development**

**Documentation**

Relevant sections of the report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its fifty-first session (Assembly resolution 42/178 and Council resolution 1987/24)

**(m) Transport of dangerous goods**

**Documentation**

Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (Council resolution 2005/53)

**14. Social and human rights questions**

**Documentation**

Updated report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits in the implementation of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B and 57/270 B (Council resolution 2006/44) (see also items 6, 8 and 13)

**(a) Advancement of women**

**Documentation**

Report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its fifty-first session (Council resolutions 11 (II) and 1147 (XLI) and Council decision 2006/235)

Report of the Secretary-General on follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and full implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and the outcome of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly (Assembly resolution 61/145 and Council resolutions 2006/9 and 2006/36 (see also item 7 (e))

Results of the thirty-seventh and thirty-eighth sessions of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women: note by the Secretary-General[2]

Report of the Executive Board of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (Council resolution 1998 (LX))

**(b) Social development**

**Documentation**

Report of the Commission for Social Development on its forty-fifth session (Council resolution 10 (III) and Council decision 2006/238)

Report of the Secretary-General on "Youth in the global economy" of the World Programme of Action for Youth to the Year 2000 and Beyond (Council resolution 2006/15)[3]

**(c) Crime prevention and criminal justice**

**Documentation**

Report of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice on its sixteenth session (Council resolution 1992/1 and Council decision 2006/239)

**(d) Narcotic drugs**

**Documentation**

Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its fiftieth session (Council resolution 9 (I) and Council decision 2006/241)

Report of the International Narcotics Control Board (article 15 of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961; article 18 of the Convention on Psychotropic Substances, 1971; and article 23 of the 1988 United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances)

**(e) United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees**

**Documentation**

Oral report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (Assembly resolution 58/153)

**(f) Comprehensive implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action**

**Documentation**

*No request for advance documentation*

**(g) Human rights**

**Documentation**

**Report of the Human Rights Committee (article 45 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights)[1]**

**Report of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (Council resolutions 1988 (LX) and 1985/17)**

**Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (Assembly resolution 48/141)[1]**

**(h) Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues**

**Documentation**

**Report of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues on its sixth session (Council resolution 2000/22 and Council decision 2006/272)**

**(i) Genetic privacy and non-discrimination**

**Documentation**

**Report of the Secretary-General on genetic privacy and non-discrimination (Council resolution 2004/9)**

**15. United Nations research and training institutes**

**Documentation**

**Report of the United Nations System Staff College in Turin, Italy (Assembly resolution 60/214)**

# II. Questions for inclusion in the programme of work of the Council for 2008 and list of documents for each agenda item[4]

## Substantive session of 2008

### Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

**Documentation**

Note by the Secretary-General on the proposed theme for the high-level segment of the 2009 substantive session of the Council (General Assembly resolution 50/227, annex I)

## A. High-level segment

***High-level policy dialogue with international financial and trade institutions***

**Documentation**

*World Economic and Social Survey, 2007*

***Thematic discussion***

**Documentation**

Report of the Secretary-General on the theme [theme to be selected]

***Annual ministerial review***

**Documentation**

Report of the Secretary-General on the theme [theme to be selected]

*World Economic and Social Survey 2008*

Relevant part of the report of the Committee for Development Policy on its tenth session

Relevant part of the report of the Secretary-General on regional cooperation (Council decision 2004/323)

***Development Cooperation Forum***

## B. Operational activities of the United Nations for the international development cooperation segment

**Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation**

[Theme/themes to be selected]

***Follow-up to policy recommendations of the General Assembly***

***Reports of the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme/ United Nations Population Fund, the United Nations Children's Fund and the World Food Programme***

**Documentation**

Reports of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/ United Nations Population Fund on its second regular session of 2007 and on its first regular session and annual session of 2008 (Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme and the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund (Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Reports of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund on its second regular session of 2007 and on its first regular session and annual session of 2008 (Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund (Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Report of the Executive Board of the World Food Programme on its 2007 sessions (Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Executive Director of the World Food Programme (Assembly resolutions 50/8 and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

## C. Coordination segment

**Coordination of the policies and activities of the specialized agencies and other bodies of the United Nations system related to the following themes**

**Documentation**

Report of the Secretary-General on the theme [theme to be selected]

## D. Humanitarian affairs segment

**Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance**

## E. General segment

**Implementation of and follow-up to the major United Nations conferences and summits**

***Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development***

***Review and coordination of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010***

**Documentation**

Annual progress report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010 (Assembly resolution 61/1 and Council decision 2001/320).

**Coordination, programme and other questions**

***Reports of coordination bodies***

**Documentation**

Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on its forty-eighth session

Annual overview report of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination for 2007

***Proposed strategic framework for the biennium 2008-2009***

**Documentation**

Relevant sections of the proposed strategic framework for the biennium 2008-2009 (Assembly resolution 58/269)

***Mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system***

***Ad hoc advisory groups on African countries emerging from conflict***

***Tobacco or health***

**Documentation**

Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Ad Hoc Inter-Agency Task Force on Tobacco Control (Council decision 2006/248)

Report of the Secretary-General on smoke-free United Nations premises (Council resolution 2006/42)

**Implementation of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B and 57/270 B**

**Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations**

**Documentation**

Report of the Secretary-General on assistance to the Palestinian people (Council resolution 2100 (LXIII))[1]

**Regional cooperation**

**Documentation**

Report of the Secretary-General (Council decision 1979/1)

Summaries of the surveys of economic conditions in the five regions prepared by the regional commissions (Council resolution 1724 (LIII))

**Economic and social repercussions of the Israeli occupation on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan**

**Documentation**

Report of the Secretary-General[1]

**Non-governmental organizations**

**Documentation**

Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations (Council resolutions 3 (II) and 1996/31 and Council decision 1995/304)

**Economic and environmental questions**

***Sustainable development***

**Documentation**

Report of the Commission on Sustainable Development on its sixteenth session (Council decision 1993/207)

Report of the Committee for Development Policy on its tenth session (Council resolution 1079 (XXXIX))

***Science and technology for development***

**Documentation**

Report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its eleventh session (Assembly resolution 46/235, annex)

***Statistics***

**Documentation**

Report of the Statistical Commission on its thirty-ninth session (Council resolutions 1768 (LIV) and 1999/8)

***Human settlements***

**Documentation**

Report of the Secretary-General on the coordinated implementation of the Habitat Agenda[1]

***Environment***

**Documentation**

Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its tenth special session (Assembly resolutions 2997 (XXVII) and 53/242)[1]

***Population and development***

**Documentation**

**Report of the Commission on Population and Development on its forty-first session (Assembly resolution 49/128 and Council decision 1995/209)**

***Public administration and development***

**Documentation**

**Report of the Committee of Experts on Public Administration on its seventh session (Council resolutions 2001/45 and 2003/60)**

***International cooperation in tax matters***

**Documentation**

**Report of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters on its third session (Council resolution 2004/69)**

***Assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions***

***Cartography***

**Documentation**

**Report of the ninth United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names, New York, 21-30 August 2007 (Council resolutions 715 A (XXVII) and 1314 (XLIV))**

**Report of the twenty-fourth session of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names, New York, 20 and 31 August 2007 (Council resolutions 715 A (XXVII) and 1314 (XLIV))**

***Women and development***

**Social and human rights questions**

***Advancement of women***

**Documentation**

**Report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its fifty-second session (Council resolutions 11 (II) and 1147 (XLI))**

**Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (article 21 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women)[1]**

**Report of the Executive Board of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (Council resolution 1998 (LX))**

***Social development***

**Documentation**

**Report of the Commission for Social Development on its forty-sixth session (Council resolutions 10 (III) and 1996/7)**

***Crime prevention and criminal justice***

**Documentation**

Report of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice on its seventeenth session (Council resolution 1992/1)

***Narcotic drugs***

**Documentation**

Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its fifty-first session (Council resolution 9 (I))

Report of the International Narcotics Control Board (article 15 of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961; article 18 of the Convention on Psychotropic Substances, 1971; and article 23 of the 1988 United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances)

***United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees***

Oral report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (Assembly resolution 58/153)

***Human rights***

**Documentation**

Report of the Human Rights Committee (article 45 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights)[1]

Report of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (Council resolutions 1988 (LX) and 1985/17)

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (Assembly resolution 48/141)[1]

Biennial Report of the Committee on the Rights of the Child (Assembly resolution 44/25, annex)[1]

***Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues***

**Documentation**

Report of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues on its seventh session (Council resolution 2000/22)

*Notes*

[1] Submitted to the General Assembly through the Council.

[2] The report of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, in its entirety, will be submitted to the General Assembly.

[3] Submitted to the General Assembly at its sixty-second session and to the Council at its substantive session of 2007 through the Commission for Social Development at its forty-fifth session.

[4] The list of questions will be revised in the light of the Council's deliberations on the proposed programme of work for 2007.

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**Organizational session for 2007**
17 January, 6-9 February and 25 and 26 April 2007
Item 2 of the provisional agenda
**Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters**

## Provisional agenda

1. Election of the Bureau.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Basic programme of work of the Council.
4. Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments.

## Annotations

### 1. Election of the Bureau

Rule 18 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council provides that, each year at the commencement of its first meeting, the Council shall elect a President and four Vice-Presidents from among the representatives of its members. The membership of the Council in 2007 is given in the annex below. According to the equitable geographical rotation of the office of President among the regional groups, the President for 2007 should be the representative of a member of the Eastern European States group. The four Vice-Presidents of the Council shall be elected on the basis of equitable geographical distribution from the regional groups, excluding that to which the President belongs.

The President and Vice-Presidents shall constitute the Bureau. The Council, upon the recommendation of the President, shall decide on the special responsibilities of each of the Vice-Presidents.

Pursuant to Council resolution 1988/77, a meeting of the Council will be held on 17 January 2007 for the election of the Bureau.

### 2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

Rule 13 of the rules of procedure of the Council provides that, at the beginning of each session, after the election of the Bureau when required under rule 18, the Council shall adopt the agenda for the session.

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The present provisional agenda has been prepared in conformity with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 48/162 and of other relevant legislative decisions, including, in particular, the provisions of Assembly resolutions 50/227 and 61/16.

**Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies: draft annex relating to the World Tourism Organization**

In its decision 2006/263, the Council decided to defer consideration of the draft annex on the privileges and immunities of the specialized agencies with respect to the World Tourism Organization to its organizational session for 2007.

**Documentation**

Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies: draft annex relating to the World Tourism Organization (E/2006/70)

**Application of an intergovernmental organization for observer status with the Council**

In its decision 2006/264, the Council decided to defer consideration of the application of the International Emergency Management Organization to its organizational session for 2007.

**Documentation**

Application of an intergovernmental organization, the International Emergency Management Organization, for observer status with the Economic and Social Council (E/2006/87)

**Report of the Committee for Development Policy**

In its decisions 2006/265 and 266, the Council decided to defer consideration of the recommendations contained in the report of the Committee for Development Policy on its eighth session to its substantive session of 2007.

**Documentation**

Report of the Committee for Development Policy on its eighth session (E/2006/33)

**Report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development**

In its decision 2006/268, the Council decided to defer further consideration of the report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its ninth session to its organizational session for 2007.

In accordance with its resolution 2006/46 of 28 July 2006, the Council will have before it the following two documents: a note by the Secretariat containing a list of non-governmental organizations not in consultative status with the Council that were accredited to the World Summit on the Information Society and are seeking to participate in the next two meetings of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development, and a note by the Secretariat containing a list of business-sector entities, including the private sector, in particular those that received accreditation to the World Summit on the Information Society, seeking to participate in the work of the Commission in accordance with the rules of procedure of the Council.

**Documentation**

Report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its ninth session (E/2006/31)

Note by the Secretariat containing a list of non-governmental organizations seeking accreditation to participate in the work of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development

Note by the Secretariat containing a list of business-sector entities, including the private sector, seeking to participate in the work of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development

**High-level segment**

**Themes for the 2007 thematic discussion and the 2007 annual ministerial review**

The Council's attention is drawn to General Assembly resolution 61/16 on the strengthening of the Economic and Social Council, whereby the Council would hold a thematic discussion on a theme from economic, social and related fields, and annual ministerial-level substantive reviews as part of its high-level segment.

In its decision 2006/274, the Council decided to defer consideration of the focus of the 2007 thematic discussion and the theme for the 2007 annual ministerial review to the first meeting of its organizational session for 2007.

**Coordination segment of the Council**

In its decision 2006/274, the Council decided that the coordination segment of its substantive session of 2007 would be devoted to consideration of the following theme: "The role of the United Nations system in promoting full and productive employment and decent work for all".

## 3. Basic programme of work of the Council

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**Documentation**

Proposed basic programme of work of the Council for 2007 and 2008 (E/2007/1)

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Item 2 of the provisional agenda
**Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters**

## Provisional agenda

1. Election of the Bureau.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Basic programme of work of the Council.
4. Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments.

## Annotations

### 1. Election of the Bureau

Rule 18 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council provides that, each year at the commencement of its first meeting, the Council shall elect a President and four Vice-Presidents from among the representatives of its members. The membership of the Council in 2007 is given in the annex below. According to the equitable geographical rotation of the office of President among the regional groups, the President for 2007 should be the representative of a member of the Eastern European States group. The four Vice-Presidents of the Council shall be elected on the basis of equitable geographical distribution from the regional groups, excluding that to which the President belongs.

The President and Vice-Presidents shall constitute the Bureau. The Council, upon the recommendation of the President, shall decide on the special responsibilities of each of the Vice-Presidents.

Pursuant to Council resolution 1988/77, a meeting of the Council will be held on 17 January 2007 for the election of the Bureau.

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## 2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

Rule 13 of the rules of procedure of the Council provides that, at the beginning of each session, after the election of the Bureau when required under rule 18, the Council shall adopt the agenda for the session.

The present provisional agenda has been prepared in conformity with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 48/162 and of other relevant legislative decisions, including, in particular, the provisions of Assembly resolutions 50/227 and 61/16.

### Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies: draft annex relating to the World Tourism Organization

In its decision 2006/263, the Council decided to defer consideration of the draft annex on the privileges and immunities of the specialized agencies with respect to the World Tourism Organization to its organizational session for 2007.

#### Documentation

Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies: draft annex relating to the World Tourism Organization (E/2006/70)

### Application of an intergovernmental organization for observer status with the Council

In its decision 2006/264, the Council decided to defer consideration of the application of the International Emergency Management Organization to its organizational session for 2007.

#### Documentation

Application of an intergovernmental organization, the International Emergency Management Organization, for observer status with the Economic and Social Council (E/2006/87)

### Report of the Committee for Development Policy

In its decisions 2006/265 and 266, the Council decided to defer consideration of the recommendations contained in the report of the Committee for Development Policy on its eighth session to its substantive session of 2007.

#### Documentation

Report of the Committee for Development Policy on its eighth session (E/2006/33)

### Report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development

In its decision 2006/268, the Council decided to defer further consideration of the report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its ninth session to its organizational session for 2007.

In accordance with its resolution 2006/46 of 28 July 2006, the Council will have before it the following two documents: a note by the Secretariat containing a list of non-governmental organizations not in consultative status with the Council that were accredited to the World Summit on the Information Society and are seeking to

participate in the next two meetings of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development, and a note by the Secretariat containing a list of business-sector entities, including the private sector, in particular those that received accreditation to the World Summit on the Information Society, seeking to participate in the work of the Commission in accordance with the rules of procedure of the Council.

**Documentation**

Report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its ninth session (E/2006/31)

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**High-level segment**

**Focus of the 2007 thematic discussion and theme for the 2007 annual ministerial review**

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